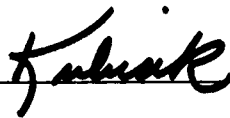


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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, One of our esteemed colleagues, T. H. McDonald, Sr., of Mesquite, is being honored by citizens of his community for his many years of devoted service as an educator and civic leader; and

WHEREAS, The T. H. McDonald Middle School is to be dedicated officially in public ceremonies on Sunday, March 4, 1973, in recognition of Representative McDonald's invaluable contributions to the progress and welfare of Mesquite during the past 23 years; and

WHEREAS, Born in the Grimes County community of Bédias on November 20, 1900, this honored colleague lived there until he entered high school at Huntsville; while working his way through Sam Houston State University, he maintained a high academic record, lettered in football, baseball, and basketball and attained an enviable record in intercollegiate debate; after being graduated from Sam Houston State University with a B.S. degree, he received an M.A. degree in education from The University of Texas at Austin; and

WHEREAS, This prominent educator was married to the former Era Lee Cook of Center in 1926; Representative McDonald and his wife are the proud parents of one son, T. H. McDonald, Jr., who has continued in his father's profession to become principal of Katy High School; and

WHEREAS, During his 48 years of service to education, Representative McDonald has worked in different regions of Texas as a teacher, athletic coach, principal, public relations director,

and superintendent; having compiled a record of 36 years as a public school superintendent, he served for 14 of those years, from 1950 to 1964, as superintendent of the Mesquite Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, Remaining active in civic and church affairs after retiring from his position with Mesquite public schools, he was encouraged to enter, and won, the election for the seat from District 33-I in the House of Representatives of the 63rd Legislature of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, His fellow members of the Texas House are proud of the accomplishments of this outstanding educator and public servant and wish to commend him on the great honor which the people of Mesquite have bestowed upon him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 63rd Legislature of the State of Texas congratulate Representative T. H. McDonald, Sr., of Mesquite on the occasion of the dedication in his honor of the T. H. McDonald Middle School on March 4, 1973; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That official copies of this Resolution be prepared for this esteemed legislator and his family as a token of respect and recognition from his colleagues in the Texas House of Representatives.